

CALL FOR PAPERS

Women in the history of philosophy

or

Controversial truths. Women philosophers and thinkers and the other history of science

Over the last forty years, gender studies have “discovered” a wealth of significant and influential writings by women thinkers and have brought forth their considerable influence on the course of our culture. They have analyzed, criticized, and initiated decisive milestones. Elisabeth of Bohemia, for example, used good arguments to cast doubt on the substance dualism doctrine and the supposedly God-given dualism of body and soul. Luise Gottsched was a fierce critic of blasphemy. Hildegard von Bingen’s resistance, her free spirit, her observations of nature, and her entirely independent concept of women and men and nature are of outstanding importance today. With these great names in the history of German-speaking philosophy, which of course include the internationally renowned philosopher Hannah Arendt, an impressive tradition of ideas by women philosophers, scientists and thinkers who set their own themes has been established. In this respect, the history (of philosophy) must be expanded.

For this issue, we invite contributors to present and critically reflect upon theories, concepts and works of German-speaking women philosophers and thinkers, as well as related perspectives, and thereby to add to the history of science from the perspective of gender studies. There are no disciplinary limits to the fields in which these women thinkers were/are active or received. They include psychology, medicine, natural sciences, astronomy, environmental sciences, mathematics, music, literature, politics, social sciences and the humanities. The aim of this issue is to raise awareness of the work of these mostly unknown women philosophers, scientists and thinkers and to link it to current social issues and problems. In addition to the biographical context, the contributions should therefore include a contextualization of the history of theory and ideas and a reference to current social debates and challenges.

Possible questions/research topics in detail

- Theories, ideas and works of (German-speaking) women philosophers and thinkers from various disciplinary areas and different perspectives.
- Analysis of the theories of women thinkers in combining them with current societal, political,

social or scientific challenges.

- The significance of and contribution made by women philosophers, scientists and thinkers for the history of theory and ideas in the fields of science and technology, especially medicine, astronomy, psychology, physics and technology studies, the humanities, especially philosophy, theology, art, music, literature and architecture.

Procedure and timetable

- Please submit a one- to two-page abstract by **10 March 2024**. Non-German speakers are welcome to submit their articles in English.
- Please send your proposal as well as your manuscript as Word file to: manuskripte@gender-zeitschrift.de (subject: Special issue „Women in the history of philosophy“).
- Once your abstract has been assessed and judged suitable for this issue, you will receive an invitation to submit. Notifications of acceptance will be sent by **24 March 2024**. The deadline for submission of the final manuscript is **1 September 2024**.
- Manuscripts must not exceed **50,000 characters** (including space characters). A style sheet for authors is available at www.gender-zeitschrift.de/en/manuscripts.

All submissions will be reviewed in our double-blind peer review process based on which the final selection of contributions to be published will be made. The editors may give instructions to revise the contribution, which is the rule rather than the exception. In case of a high number of positively peer-reviewed contributions, the Editorial Department reserves the right to make a final selection of articles and to publish some contributions in a later issue.

About GENDER. Journal for Gender, Culture and Society

GENDER. Journal for Gender, Culture and Society was founded in 2009 as a journal on women and gender studies. The journal aims to cover a wide range of topics and academic disciplines in which gender issues are reflected. Given the journal's multi-disciplinary setting, we welcome analyses from, for instance, sociology, educational science, political science, cultural science and history which correspond to the interdisciplinary nature of gender studies. GENDER is published in three issues a year. Contributions to the free section are always welcome, irrespective of the focus of the special issue.

Do you have any questions?

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